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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Proposed collection; 60-day comment request

Evaluation of National Institutes of Health International Bilateral Programs (FIC, NCI, NIAAA, NIAID, NICHD, NIDA, NINDS, NIMH, OAR)

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health (NIH), will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval.

Written comments and/or suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection

techniques or other forms of information technology.

TO SUBMIT COMMENTS AND FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: To obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, submit comments in writing, or request more information on the proposed project, contact: Julie Schneider, Program Director, Center for Global Health, National Cancer Institute, 9609 Medical Center Dr., RM 3W564, Rockville MD, 20850 or call non-toll-free number 240-276-5795 or E-mail your request, including your address to: schneidj@mail.nih.gov. Formal requests for additional plans and instruments must be requested in writing.

COMMENT DUE DATE: Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60 days of the date of this publication.

PROPOSED COLLECTION: Evaluation of National Institutes of Health International Bilateral Programs (FIC, NCI, NIAAA, NIAID, NICHD, NIDA, NIMH, NINDS, OAR), 0925-NEW, National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Need and Use of Information Collection: This submission is a request for OMB to approve the Evaluation of National Institutes of Health (NIH) International Bilateral Programs for three years. The bilateral awards are made through the Funding Opportunity Announcement mechanism and administrative supplements, meaning they are funded by set-aside funds that are separate from the general pool of research program grant funds

used to support investigator initiated research at NIH. The bilateral programs to be evaluated are the U.S.-China Program for Biomedical Research Cooperation, U.S. – India Bilateral Collaborative Research Partnerships on the Prevention of HIV/AIDS and Co-morbidities, U.S.-Russia Bilateral Collaborative Research Partnerships on the Prevention and Treatment of HIV/AIDS and Co-morbidities, and U.S.-South Africa Program for Collaborative Biomedical Research. These programs are funded and administered by various combinations of the following institutes: Fogarty International Center (FIC), the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), and the Office of AIDS Research (OAR). While these programs differ, their underlying concept is the same; they require U.S. scientists to collaborate with scientists from other countries in order to conduct scientifically meritorious investigations of mutual interest to both countries. The proposed evaluation requests information about (1) accomplishments of the awards, (2) unique findings or opportunities due to the international collaborations, and (3) successes and challenges of these collaborations. The information will be collected one year into the award and at the end of the award, when possible. This information is needed to evaluate the effectiveness of these programs across NIH.

OMB approval is requested for 3 years. There are no costs to respondents other than their time. The total estimated annualized burden hours are 128.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondents	Number of Respondents	Number of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (in hours)	Total Annual Burden Hours
Principal Investigators Administrative Supplements	24	1	1	24
Principal Investigators Other Mechanisms	52	2	1	104

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